whether despite repeated requests made by the local authorities/ local MPs in the matter, their pleas have been ignored;

if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

whether Government propose to cover people in Ransar Valley by either upgrading the LPT installed in Chirgaon VLPT or by installing a new LPT in Sundrayali near Amboi Village in Shimla district;

if so, by when the same would be implemented; and

if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) to (f) Yes, Sir. Ransar Valley does not receive adequate TV coverage from VLPT, Chirgaon due to hilly terrain of the area.

Some requests have, in fact, been received for shifting the VLPT at Chirgaon from its present site in order to provide wider coverage. There is no proposal to shift this VLPT from its present site as it is likely to result in some areas being deprived of the TV coverage presently available there.

With the launch of Doordarshan's Free-to-Air Ku band (DTH) service "DD Direct Plus", multi-channel TV coverage has been provided in the entire country (except A&N Islands). It is possible to receive DTH signals anywhere in the country including the entire Shimla district with the help of a small dish receive unit. Currently, there is, therefore, no proposal either for upgradation of the existing transmitter or for installation of new transmitters.

Migration to western countries

2773. SHRI SITARAM YECHURRY: Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased state:

whether the Migration of Indians to western countries increased after 1995;

if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

which are the popular destinations for Indian Migrants and the number of migrants from 2000 to 2005?

THE MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI): (a) The Ministry maintains details of only those who seek emigration clearance for employment abroad. Since those going to western countries normally do not require emigration clearance, such data is not maintained by the Ministry.

Does not arise.

A statement indicating the number of persons who had obtained emigration clearance during the period 2001-2005 for going abroad for employment, destination-wise, is enclosed.

Statement

The Distribution of Annual Labour Outflows from India

by Destination

2001-2005

Sl. No.	Country	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
1.	U.A.E.	53673	95034	143804	175262	194412
2	Saudi Arabia	78048	99453	121431	123522	99879
3.	Malaysia	6131	10512	26898	31464	71041
4.	Qatar	13829	12596	14251	16325	50222
5.	Oman	30985	41209	36816	33275	40931
6.	Kuwait	39751	4859	54434	52064	39124
7.	Bahrain	16382	20807	24778	22980	30060
8.	Maldives	-	-	-	3233	3423
9.	Mauritius	-	-	-	3544	1965
10.	Jordan	-	-	-	2576	1851
	Others	39865	83193	44044	10715	15945
	TOTAL	278664	367663	466456	474960	548853